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Gov. Schwarzenegger Proclaims State of Emergency in Stanislaus County

Gov. Schwarzenegger issued the following proclamation today adding Stanislaus County to the list of counties to receive emergency assistance resulting from severe freezing conditions. Within the last week, the Governor proclaimed a state of emergency in the counties of Imperial, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Clara, Riverside, Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Tulare and Ventura. Additional counties will be added to the proclamation as warranted.

A copy of the proclamation is below:

PROCLAMATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS on January 12, 2007 I proclaimed a state of emergency because of the existence of conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property throughout the State of California due to extreme low temperatures and freezing conditions beginning January 11, 2007 and continuing; and

WHEREAS on January 16, 2007 I proclaimed a state of emergency in the counties of Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Tulare, and Ventura based on the continuing effects of those conditions; and

WHEREAS on January 19, 2007 I proclaimed a state of emergency in the counties of Imperial, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Clara, Riverside, and Yuba based on the continuing effects of those same conditions; and

WHEREAS such conditions have continued, resulting in the county of Stanislaus recently declaring a local state of emergency based on substantial economic impact to agricultural crops, the industry that supports agriculture, and the people who work in the agricultural industry, as well as health impacts to the medically fragile and homeless, and anticipated financial strain on local public health and social services; and

WHEREAS the circumstances of this situation, by reason of their magnitude, are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of any single county, city and county, or city and require the combined forces of a mutual aid region or regions to combat.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER, Governor of the State of California, find that conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property exist in the county of Stanislaus resulting from these severe freezing conditions, and under the authority of the California Emergency Services Act, set forth at Title 2, Division 1, Chapter 7 of the California Government Code, commencing with section 8550, I hereby proclaim that a State of Emergency exists in Stanislaus County.

I HEREBY DIRECT all agencies of the state government to utilize and employ state personnel, equipment, and facilities for the performance of any and all necessary activities to alleviate this emergency as directed by my Office of Emergency Services and in accordance with the State Emergency Plan.

I DIRECT that the Director of the Office of Emergency Services activate the California Disaster Assistance Act to

provide supplemental financial support for local government.

I FURTHER DIRECT that as soon as hereafter possible, this proclamation be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this proclamation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 20th day of January 2007.

ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

Governor of California

ATTEST:

DEBRA BOWEN

Secretary of State